

## DIVISIONAL PATENT APPLICATION FILING

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For: "HYDRAZINE-BASED AND CARBONYL-BASED  
BIFUNCTIONAL CROSSLINKING REAGENTS"

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR THE FILING OF A DIVISIONAL  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.53(b)(1)**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified divisional patent application of patent application serial number 09/815,978 filed 22 March 2001 please consider the following: